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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND NORTHERN DIVISION

David L. Mason, et al.

Plaintiffs,

vs.

Civil Action No.:WMN-00-562

Honeywell International, Inc., et al.

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Defendants.

STIPULATION TO EXTEND TIME FOR RAYTHEON TO RESPOND TO HONEYWELL'S CROSS-CLAIM

Defendant/cross-defendant, Raytheon Company ("Raytheon"), defendant/cross-plaintiff, Honeywell International, Inc. ("Honeywell"), and plaintiffs stipulate that the time for Raytheon to file a response to Honeywell's cross-claim is extended until April 26, 2001 and for reasons state as follows:

- 1. On March 27, 2001, the Court granted Raytheon's motion giving it thirty (30) days to file a memorandum of points and authorities addressing the issue of Raytheon's liability for plaintiffs' COBRA claims ("the COBRA Memorandum").
- 2. On March 30, 2001, Honeywell filed a motion to amend its answer and affirmative defenses to plaintiffs' third-amended complaint and to add a cross-claim against Raytheon.

- 3. On April 2, 2001, the Court granted Honeywell's motion to amend and to add the cross-claim. The cross-claim raises the same issues which Raytheon intended to address in the COBRA Memorandum.
- 4. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(a)(2) and Local Rule 103.6(a), Raytheon's response to Honeywell's cross-claim is due to be filed on April 22, 2001. Raytheon's COBRA Memorandum is due to be filed on April 26, 2001.
- In order to simplify briefing of the COBRA liability issues, Raytheon 5. proposes to file only one paper addressing these issues and will do so in its response to the crossclaim, rather than in the separate COBRA Memorandum.
- 6. Accordingly, the parties stipulate that Raytheon has through and until April 26, 2001 to file its response to Honeywell's cross-claim.

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SO ORDERED:

Dated: April 17, 2001

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United States District Judge